

GREECE BEGS AT LAST

FORMALLY APPLIES TO THE POWERS FOR MEDIATION.

All Consent but Germany—Powers Will Agree to Mediation, but Not to an Armistice—Will Be Satisfied With a Reasonable Indemnity.

ATHENS, May 10.—Greece has made a written application to the powers, through their representatives at Athens, with a view of obtaining mediation. All the representatives have promised in their replies to use their best offices, except the German minister, who has merely acknowledged the receipt of the note from the cabinet.

The porte is inclined to support the powers, with a view to the facilitation of negotiations, but it declines to consent to an armistice, on the ground that this would enable Greece to reorganize her forces.

As a matter of fact, Turkey continues to send troops from Salonica homeward, and it is probable that Osman Pasha has returned to Constantinople from Salonica. In view of both facts, it may be assumed that nothing serious is expected, but the continuance of a state of war is regarded as the very best means of hastening the efforts of diplomacy.

Without doubt hopes have been raised in Turkey that the Ottoman government might annex Thessaly and restore the old frontier of 1881, but the sultan is not inclined to risk such a step. On the contrary, he opposes it uncompromisingly and will not yield to the pressure of the war party at Constantinople.

He will be satisfied with a reasonable indemnity and a slight rectification of the eastern Thessalian frontier, such a one as would give Turkey several strategic positions in the vicinity of Nezeros.

It is understood that Greece agrees to confide her interests to the powers in the peace negotiations.

It is probable that more fighting will occur at Domokos. The telegraph is working to Domokos, and the latest dispatch from that point says that the Turks are half way between Pharsalos and Domokos, and are believed to be planning an attack upon the latter. The Turks do not molest the inhabitants of the villages they have occupied, but they have burned houses and plundered several churches at Pharsalos.

In the course of an interview, Colonel Vassos said:

"The union between Crete and Greece is now an actual fact, and nothing is lacking but the consent of Europe. The foreign admirals recently asked my authority to advance their troops in Crete beyond the zone previously occupied. The powers may do what they like. The union of Crete and Greece is inevitable and a necessity."

It is reported in official circles that Queen Olga has sent a telegram to the czar soliciting the mediation of Russia.

LONDON, May 10.—The Constantinople correspondent of the Standard says: "The Turkish military commissioners held a prolonged conference with the sultan to-day at the Yildiz kiosk and decided to increase the troops in European Turkey to 432,000 men, a decision ratified by the sultan."

"In view of the possible early intervention of the powers, Edhem Pasha has been ordered to hasten his advance, leaving the line of communications to be guarded by reinforcements which are daily dispatched to the front."

A dispatch to the Morning Post from Constantinople says it is probable that Turkey will demand a war indemnity of over \$30,000,000.

A correspondent at Constantinople says: "I learn that a circular has been addressed by the Sheikhul-Islam to the Imams in Constantinople and the provinces which foreshadows the speedy approach of a holy war, the sacred edict for proclaiming which is already being prepared."

Omaha's Mayorality War.

OMAHA, Neb., May 10.—Mayor Broatch has a force of eleven picked policemen, under command of Sergeant Iler, patrolling the city hall. He reiterates his intention of holding to the office at all hazards. His term of office expired at midnight last night. Mayor-elect Moore will make no effort to secure control of the office by force. The new council is certain to recognize Moore as mayor, and the business of the city will go steadily onward until Broatch is dispossessed by the courts of his fortifications in the city hall.

Mayor and Aldermen in Jail.

ATBURN, Neb., May 10.—The mayor and city council are in jail and likely to remain there. Judge Stull had them cited to appear for contempt, and sent them to jail for disregarding the orders. The city attorney sought relief from the supreme court, which was denied. Judge Stull to-day offered to release the officials on bail, but they declined to give it. The trouble originated in an effort to open a street.

A Fortune for Charity.

PARIS, May 10.—An anonymous donor has sent the sum of \$35,500 to the committee of management of the charity bazaar in the Rue Jean Goujon, which was the scene of last week's terrible tragedy from fire.

Embodiment by Grain Inspectors.

CHICAGO, May 10.—Benjamin F. Jenkins, cashier of the grain inspector's office under Dwight W. Andrews, was arrested to-day on six indictments for embezzlement. Andrews, who was also indicted on a similar charge, is said to be in Owatonna, Minn.

Five Victims of Poisoned Water.

PIKEVILLE, Ky., May 10.—Poison of some kind was put in Ball Creek spring, several miles above here, and as a result five persons have died and five more are dying.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

An eastbound Santa Fe express train partially wrecked east of Lamar, Col. Engineer Madigan killed.

Ex-Vice President Stevenson, General Paine and Senator Wolcott sailed for Europe in the interest of an international bi-metallic conference.

Monroe Salisbury, the turfman, has been declared insolvent.

Tarrytown, N. J., has quadruple the Gould heirs taxes.

Governor Pingree of Michigan wants railroad taxes increased.

Julian G. Hedrick, city treasurer of Sherman, Texas, killed himself.

The Arkansas Senate has defeated Governor Jones' Railroad commission bill.

George Harris lost his damage case against the Modern Woodmen at Dubuque, Iowa, for injuries received during initiation.

Milwaukee and Chicago brewers propose to fight the increased tax on beer.

Editorial staff of El Continent Americano, City of Mexico, has been arrested for insulting Spain.

The Itasca Warehouse Co.'s building at Minneapolis, Minn., was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$250,000.

The Standard Oil trust has just declared a 3 per cent quarterly and a 7 per cent extra dividend.

Judge Birdsell of Iowa holds that a railroad has the right to compel passengers to show tickets before entering trains.

Harry Stout and Ernest King fought a ten round prize fight in the Delaware state house. Members of the legislature who promoted it were reprimanded.

The Senate added to the sundry civil bill an amendment abrogating Cleveland's forest reserve proclamation.

The House adopted a resolution providing for only Monday and Thursday sessions until otherwise ordered.

Payment to Cherokee freedmen by Agent Dickson has been stopped. An army officer will disburse the rest of the money.

Senator Bacon of Georgia has introduced a joint resolution declaring that the policy of the United States is in favor of the arbitration of international differences.

Dr. J. H. Hollander has been appointed secretary of the International Bimetallic Conference commission. He is professor of economics at the Johns Hopkins university.

James N. Tyner of Indiana has been appointed assistant attorney general for the postoffice department.

Colonel Hopkins, manager of Dan Creedon, has deposited a forfeit of \$1,000 to bind a match with Kid McCoy.

Ecuador has a revolution now.

Governor Black has signed the Greater New York charter.

Indian troops are not a success and the company at Fort Sill is to be abandoned.

Ona Melton and other Competitor prisoners are to be tried at once at Havana.

There is more talk of Justice Field of the United States supreme court resigning.

Albidge Gerry Spaulding, "father of the greenback," is dead at Buffalo, N. Y., aged 88.

Mayor Strong of New York is distributing 1,000 bricks from Grant's old tomb to G. A. R. posts.

Chicago building strike is spreading to St. Louis, Columbus, O., Syracuse, N. Y., and Worcester, Mass.

A. G. Fontani, who ran an Italian savings bank in New York, has absconded with all available assets.

Jacob S. Johnson, a colored preacher, was hanged at Somerville, N. J., for the murder of Annie Beckman.

James Monroe Haskell, grandson of President Monroe attempted suicide in New York by inhaling gas.

Hawaiians in Washington are kicking at the Senate tariff bill for abrogating the reciprocity treaty with Hawaii.

During the month of April there were 536 deaths from smallpox in Guira De Melra, a town of 4,500 inhabitants in Cuba.

In addition to his shortage of about \$60,000, it is found that County Clerk George Hobson of Cincinnati is also guilty of forgery.

Gustave G. Pabst, Margaret Mather's former husband, is to marry Miss Hulda T. Lemp, daughter of the millionaire St. Louis brewer.

Dan Baillif of Lima, Ohio, knocked out Gus Gorman of San Francisco in the fourth round in a prize fight in a church yard at Muncie, Ind.

The proposed 10 cents tax on tea will add millions to the revenue and give the consumer better tea for his money, says James R. Davies, a New York tea expert.

The Senate refused, 42 to 36, to ratify the arbitration treaty with England. Only Vest of the Kansas and Missouri Senators voted for the treaty. England's recent policy is responsible for the treaty's defeat.

Webster Davis of Kansas City has been appointed assistant secretary of the interior.

It is said to be probable that a department of commerce and manufactures will be established.

Actor Edwin F. Thorne is dead.

Mrs. Arthur H. Blair of Chicago sent a trusted man servant to her safety deposit vault to deposit some money. He ran away with a fortune in diamonds and money.

People are starving in Cuba.

Colorado is to have a labor party.

Bread riots are reported in Argentina.

Gold shipments recently aggregate \$8,000,000.

The free homes bill passed the Senate, 43 to 11.

Tennessee and Kentucky coal miners are striking.

Pulaski, Va., was shaken up by an earthquake.

Annexation to Greece or death is the Cuban motto.

Major General Miles has left for the seat of war in Europe.

Rear Admiral R. W. Meade is dead at a Washington sanitarium.

J. R. Wheeler & Co.'s banks at Manitou and Aspen, Col., failed.

J. W. Marks of Chicago paid \$15,000 for Joe Folsom, the race horse.

FATAL FIRE AT SEA.

SIXTEEN PERISH ON AN ATLANTIC STEAMER.

Flames Had Gained Terrible Headway Before They Were Discovered—The Steamer Was the Leona, Bound From New York to Galveston.

New York, May 10.—The Mallory line steamer, Leona, which left her pier on Saturday, bound for Galveston, took fire at sea, put back and arrived in port last night with sixteen corpses on board. The dead were thirteen steerage passengers and three members of the crew, who succumbed to a terrible fire, which occurred off the Delaware capes at an early hour yesterday morning.

The horror of the story can hardly be told. Those who are dead were penned up below decks, and although frantic efforts were made by the officers of the vessel to save them the fire had gained such terrible headway before the danger was discovered that all escape was cut off.

The steamer carried in her cargo many bales of cotton. It is not certain how the fire originated, but when it was discovered it burst forth with such fury that it was impossible to reach the steerage. Even then the steerage passengers apparently were unmindful of the danger, else the smoke and flames had not reached them. The saloon passengers were first aroused, and in such a manner as to occasion little alarm. When it became apparent that the fire had cut off the steerage the captain and his men poured great quantities of water down the ventilator, and the most frantic efforts were made for the escape of those penned up. In this way eight of the steerage passengers made their escape.

Among the passengers was S. V. Winslow of Rutherford, N. J. On his return to this city Mr. Winslow told the following story of the fire: "First Mate Wallace was pacing the bridge about 2 a. m., when he thought he smelled smoke coming from the forecastle. He went down forward to the companionway and opened the door to the steerage. The moment he did there was a burst of flame which burned his face."

"Wallace turned and ran on deck and cried the alarm of fire to the forward watch, telling him to wake the steward and have all the passengers aroused as quickly as possible, without creating any excitement. The steward did this in a quiet manner, going to each stateroom and waking the occupants. He said in calm tones that there was a slight fire in the forward part of the ship, and it might be advisable for the passengers to get their things together. It might be possible, he added, that the ship would eventually have to be abandoned."

"There was no excitement among the saloon passengers. Most of them packed their luggage and carried it from their staterooms into the main saloon. They gathered in the saloon and remained there, and after the officers assured them that there was no immediate danger they took matters quietly."

"The crew, on the captain's orders, rushed from the companionway and attempted to descend. They were driven back by dense volumes of smoke and flames quickly followed. The smoke and the flames also came up through the ventilators, and it was apparent to all who were on deck that below decks was a roaring furnace. Then it dawned on the officers and crew that the unfortunates in the steerage were probably burning to death. Captain Wilder saw his crew driven back from the companionway and the realization of the horror below made him desperate."

"He rushed to the stairs and boldly attempted to go below. He did not get down more than half a dozen steps when the increasing clouds of smoke and the flames shooting up around him drove him back on deck. He stepped back to the shelter of the pilot house. His face was scorched. His eyebrows were burned away. He stood there dazed and overcome for a moment. Then he exclaimed: 'My God, no man can go through that and come out alive!'"

"When the news of the fire reached the lowest depths of the ship, where the stokers were feeding the boilers, they deserted their posts and rushed to the deck, eighteen of them in all. They clambered into the second boat on the port side and began cutting it away. First Officer Wallace and Chief Engineer Taylor were after them in a moment."

"Get out of that boat," thundered Wallace.

"The stokers refused to obey, and went on cutting away the lashings of the boat."

"Come out of that boat," re-echoed Taylor. Then he rushed forward, reaching with his hand for his revolver. "I will shoot the man who cuts away the boat."

"The stokers looked at the chief engineer and then sullenly obeyed. The passengers were all transferred to the City of Augusta in safety and the work of fighting the fire was continued. About 9 o'clock in the morning the flames were under control, and the steamer out of danger. The passengers were sent back to the Leona and the City of Augusta continued on her way to Havana. The Leona put about and returned to port under her own steam."

Depositors to Get \$25,000.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 10.—The depositors of the failed Kansas City Safe Deposit and Savings bank will get \$25,000 of the \$100,000 which H. P. Churchill, its former president, borrowed from the bank and for which he gave his notes as security.

Business Given by London for United.

LONDON, May 10.—The London house of the famous fund now reaches nearly \$2,000,000. The fund was raised during the whole of the last financial year. The Daily Chronicle within a week has raised nearly \$25,000 for the fund.

A Good Place for Hunter Likely.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Senator Deboe of Kentucky called at the White house to-day to urge the president to appoint Dr. Hunter of Kentucky to a leading foreign mission, probably Chili. The president spoke in high terms of Dr. Hunter, and it is believed that a good place is assured.

Heavy Rain in Western Kansas.

GARNEY CITY, Kan., May 10.—South-west Kansas and Eastern Colorado are now suffering from severe electric storms and heavy rain.

A REAL AIR SHIP.

It Makes a Successful Flight at the Nashville Exposition.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 8.—Yesterday at the Tennessee Centennial exposition grounds Professor Arthur Barnard, physical instructor of the Young Men's Christian Association of Nashville, began a journey in an air ship constructed by himself. The officials of the exposition and the people attending the exposition witnessed the ascent of the aerial voyager. The ship moved off in perfect order and passed out of sight in a few minutes. Professor Barnard promised to sail against the wind after arising into the air, and he did so. The air ship will be continued in use at the exposition. Professor Barnard said he would land at the starting point last night. The air ship is forty-six feet long and twenty feet in diameter.

Mr. Barnard, who returned with his air ship, says that he has perfected a machine which will fly under ordinary conditions. He said that it was not perfect, nor could it be controlled yet in a heavy wind.

SHIP FRANCIS BURNED.

Captain and Crew Reach Shore Safely After a Hard Battle.

BRANCH HAVEN, N. J., May 10.—The ship Francis, of New Bedford, Mass., under command of Captain A. F. Smith, and a crew of twenty-five men, which left San Francisco on the 17th of January last, with a general cargo, bound for New York, took fire at sea yesterday, and in order to save the lives of those on board and the ship and cargo, if possible, she was beached on the south end of Long Branch, six miles below here, at 9 o'clock last night.

The captain and crew reached shore safely and were taken care of by the crew of the Little Egg harbor life saving station. The vessel was burned to the water's edge and the cargo will prove a total loss.

The Francis was a full rigged ship of 1,974 tons burden. She was out 112 days and experienced no unusual weather throughout the voyage. The origin of the fire is unknown.

SHE SHOT FOUR MEN.

Posse of Arkansas Regulators Catch a Tartan.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 10.—A sensational shooting affray, in which a woman shot and seriously wounded four men, occurred at Lowell, Ark., yesterday. The shooting was done by Mrs. Duerling, and the wounded men are T. Bryant of Lowell and three citizens of Springdale, whose names are not known.

The shooting was the result of religious excitement, caused by a woman known as Mrs. Benedict, who has been holding a series of "holiness meetings" in the neighborhood. Mrs. Benedict gathered about her about twenty converts, among them Mrs. Duerling, who deserted her husband. Citizens of Springdale decided to run them out of the county.

The posse followed Mrs. Benedict and Mrs. Duerling to a house at Lowell, where the women fortified themselves, and when the men arrived Mrs. Duerling opened fire on them with a revolver. Mrs. Duerling was arrested, charged with attempted murder.

Shot by a Well Known Woman.

SPRINGVILLE, Ohio, May 10.—Henry Harris was found yesterday in a ditch near Keeth park with two bullet holes in his body, the one through the lungs being fatal. He refused till to-day to tell who shot him, but in an ante mortem statement to the coroner and his physician he gave the name of a well known woman as the murderer. He is dying, and the physician and coroner say they will keep their promise and not disclose the name till after Harris dies, when a sensational arrest will be made.

McKinley to Take a Hand.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—President McKinley has begun to take a hand in the tariff and from this time on it is expected the influence of the administration will be felt more and more every day. President McKinley does not assume to usurp any of the constitutional privileges of Congress. His service at the capitol taught him that the members of the national legislature invariably resent any direct influence on the part of the executive tending to shape legislation itself. Mr. McKinley's sole aim is to spur on the members of the Senate to prompt action.

An English Victim of Cannibals.

ASTORIA, Ore., May 10.—According to private advices, F. M. Bichtenberg, a young Englishman who left here a year ago with an ex-missionary whose name is not known, to trade with the natives of the Santa Cruz islands in the Pacific, was made a prisoner by the savages and was then killed and his body eaten.

Outlaw Parker Escapes.

PRESCOTT, Ariz., May 10.—Jim Parker, the notorious outlaw, who held up the Atlantic & Pacific train at Rock cut, in February, broke jail at this place with two other prisoners yesterday afternoon. In making the delivery, Parker fatally shot Assistant District Attorney Lee Norris, who was going to the assistance of the jailer, who had been overpowered.

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PARIS FIRE HORROR.

OVER ONE HUNDRED PEOPLE BURNED TO DEATH.

Scores of the Highest Aristocracy Perish—Fire Breaks Out in a Crowded Charity Bazaar—One of the Most Appalling of Disasters of Europe.

PARIS, May 5.—Fire and a resulting panic in a crowded charitable bazaar in the Rue Jean Goujon at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon caused no fewer than 100 deaths and the more or less serious injury of 200 persons. Many leaders of Parisian society are numbered among the dead or wounded. Most of the victims are women.

The building in which the fire broke out was a temporary structure of wood. The flames were first discovered above the stall presided over by the Duchess d'Uzes, and while the place was densely crowded. The bazaar is an annual function, presided over by Parisian society women.

A terrible panic and crush followed the alarm of fire. There was a wild rush for the exits and the weaker persons were borne down and trampled upon.

The inflammable nature of the building and contents caused the flames to spread with great rapidity, and in a very short time the bazaar was a mass of flames.

Before the firemen could arrive, the roof of the bazaar crashed in, burying numbers of those who had been unable to make their egress from the building.

PARIS, May 6.—A somber feeling pervades every class of society. The newspapers without exception describe the disaster at the Grand Bazar de Charite in the sober and simple terms befitting so appalling an event. The catastrophe will always be remembered as one of the most fearful that ever befell a European city. Nothing comparable in loss of life has ever occurred here, except the fire which destroyed the Opera Comique in 1857. That disaster happened in the same month of the year, and eighty persons were burned to death, while forty-five were officially registered as missing.

It is now estimated that there were about 1,200 persons in the building when the fire was discovered, about half of whom escaped unhurt. Some estimates place the number of dead at 143, others at a still higher figure.

The amount of administrative negligence surrounding the catastrophe is almost inconceivable. The structure was so combustible that many of the victims must have been burned alive, without suffocation. No sort of inspection seems to have been made in advance by the municipal or police authorities or by the prefect of police.

M. Lepine, the prefect of police, who is severely censured for lack of proper supervision of the preparatory arrangements, says, in excuse, that the patrons and patronesses of the bazaar were reactionists and he feared that if he meddled with their programme they would say he was trying to suppress a Roman Catholic enterprise.

M. Faure has received telegrams of condolence from Queen Victoria, the Emperor Nicholas, the Emperor William, King Humbert and other sovereigns, all couched in terms of the deepest sympathy.

The police announce that 111 bodies have been recovered. Of these, 94 have been positively identified. The number of corpses by no means represents the number of persons who lost their lives, as it is certain that many were burned to ashes.

There are nineteen bodies still unidentified, among which must be those of the Comtesse DeLuxe and Mme. Nitot's second daughter, both of whom are missing.

Mrs. Porges was the only American victim. She was a Miss Weissweiler. Her daughter accompanied her to the bazaar and escaped uninjured. The Porges family reside in Vienna.

Agricultural Statistician Changed.

WASHINGTON, May 10.—Henry A. Robinson of Michigan, statistician of the agricultural department, tendered his resignation to Secretary Wilson to-day. He is an ardent free silver man, and said he deemed only right that the administration should have the office at its disposal. The office pays \$2,500 a year. John Hyde of Nebraska, now editor of the Year Book of the Agricultural Department, will succeed him.

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NEWS BOILED DOWN.

A fish trust is projected in Chicago. Iowa's official flower is the wild rose. Mark Hanna is prostrated with vertigo.

The sash and door trust has been dissolved.

Bribery is now reported in the Illinois legislature.

The Dallas (Tex.) National bank has been closed.

Sholl Lake, Wis., reports disastrous forest fires.